













THE FRANCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Arcturion* will leave for the north French mail, left Saigon on the 2nd, and may be expected here on or about the 5th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro* will leave for the next American mail, left San Francisco on the 15th instant, and may be expected on or about the 18th September.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The steamer *Gratitude* left Singapore on the 25th August, and may be looked for here about the 2nd September.

The Ocean Steamship Company's *Anchises* left Singapore on the 1st, and here on the 7th instant.

The Union Line steamer *Attouleur* left Singapore on the 2nd, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 8th instant.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

"Attention is invited to the following regulations on the subject of Local Deliveries of Letters and Parcels, which are generally made on board Ship, at the Peak, Kowloon, Aden, or at any private house (averaging) named in the address) when there is a business reason, it will deliver can be made (Post Office, 1887).

"The above Regulation is not new, it has been the invariable rule of the Post Office for many years. Considerable efforts have been made to prevent generally unkindly remarks. To prevent, however, if possible, any disappointment in the matter, it will be permanently on the Mail Lists issued twice a day from the Daily Press Office.

"When Correspondence has been misdelivered (both of which are liable to occasionally) all that the addresser need do is to send the letter, parcel, or package, at 7 p.m., or as the case may be, and forthwith any other willing whatever, Postmaster-General, this should be a sufficient guarantee, as the Post Office will not mistake to let such matters pass for giving trouble, a course which generally more trouble in the end.

"The authorized List of Mails in connection with this paper is the one published each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that below.

A MAIL WITH CLOSURE.

For Swatow, Amoy and Taiwan. - Per to-day, the 3rd inst., at 11.00 A.M.

For Kolumba. - Per *Energia*, to-day, the 3rd inst., at 1.00 P.M.

For Shanghai. - Per *Opagah*, to-day, inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Saigon. - Per *Asia*, to-day, the 3rd inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Bangkok. - Per *Cicero*, to-day, inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Manila. - Per *Diamantina*, to-day, inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Fuzhou. - Per *Port Darwin*, Thursday, 3rd inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Cooctown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide. - Per *Toumudi* Saturday, the 5th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For London and Hamburg. - Per *Zepp* Saturday, the 5th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Manila. - Per *Abhis*, on Monday, inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Hongkong and Calcutta. - Per *A. on Wednesday, the 9th inst., at 2.30 P.M.*

For Kobe and Yokohama. - Per *Tech* Saturday, the 12th inst., at 5.00 P.M.

For Straits and Calcutta. - Per *Tai* Wednesday, the 15th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE FRANCH PACKET.

The French Packet Packet, *Nata*, despatched on THURSDAY, the 3rd inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, viz. North Borneo, Straits Settlements, Penang, Ceylon, Australia, Australian Colonies, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in the Mails.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet, *Arcturion*, despatched on FRIDAY, the 3rd inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, United States, Canada, Honolulu, Panama, and other ports.

The usual hours will be observed in the Mails.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Packet Packet, *Nata*, despatched on FRIDAY, the 11th inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, viz. North Borneo, Straits Settlements, Penang, Ceylon, Australia, Australian Colonies, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in the Mails.

UNREGISTERED LETTERS CONTAINING JEWELLERY AND VALUABLE REGISTRATION, has been found to make no enquiries into alleged loss such letters.

HOURS FOR CLOSING THE POST OFFICE.

THE FRANCH MAIL.

The following hours are observed in the Mails, viz. by the British Contract Packet:

Day of Departure.

NOON. - Money Order, Letters, parcels, 2.00 P.M. - Register of Letters, parcels, 2.00 P.M. - All printed matter and parcels, 3.00 P.M. - Mails closed, except for late 3.10 P.M. - Letters, parcels, and parcels, 10 cents until.

3.30 P.M. - when the Post Office closes until 3.40 P.M. - Late Letters may be posted on the packet with late fee of 10 cents, time of departure.

THE FRANCH MAIL.

Day before Departure.

5 P.M. - Money Order, Office closes. Post Office closes. The night box, which is a open out of office hours.

Day of Departure.

11 A.M. - Past Office opens.

11 A.M. - Registry of Letters closes. Post Office closes. Late Letters may be posted on the packet with late fee of 10 cents until.

11 A.M. - Mail closes, except for late Letters, 10 cents until.

11.10 A.M. - Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until.

11.40 A.M. - when the Post Office closes until 11.40 A.M. - Late Letters may be posted on the packet with late fee of 10 cents, time of departure.

POSTAL NOTES.

1. - Postal Notes of the values named below may be obtained at the Post Office in the United Kingdom, at Gibraltar, or at any British Post Office in China (except at Hongkong and Canton), at the following prices which include Commission.

1/- 20 pence.

1/6 45 " "

10/- 81.50.

20/- 163.00.

50/- 407.50.

All money orders on the United Kingdom cannot exceed £5 applied for at Hongkong or Shanghai will be granted by means of the Note.

2. - The purchaser of any Postal Note who keeps a memorandum of its date and number must fill in the Payee's name before parting with it, and the name of the Post Office where payment is to be made. If this is not done the note is payable (within three months) anywhere in the United Kingdom, Gibraltar, or at Constantinople. - Any Postal Note may be cashed at any Post Office.

3. - Postal Notes should always be forwarded to Registered Carriers. If this precaution is taken no ENQUIRIES WHATSOEVER will be made as to the loss or recovery of any Note.

4. - Postal Notes issued in the United Kingdom are not payable in Hongkong or China.

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